



EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

LAKE VICTORIA BASIN COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

LAKE VICTORIA BASIN COMMISSION INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

Sr. No. 002

Introduction and relevance to Protocol requirements and Strategic Plan (2011-2016)

Article 33 of the Protocol for Sustainable Development of the Lake Victoria Basin states that the broad function of the Lake Victoria Basin Commission is to promote, facilitate and coordinate activities and actors towards sustainable development and poverty eradication of the Lake Victoria Basin by among others:

- (i) Promoting stakeholder participation in sustainable development of natural resources
- (ii) Guiding implementation of sectoral projects and programmes
- (iii) Promoting capacity building and institutional development

This project addresses two key result areas in the LVBC strategic plan 2011 – 2016:

- (i) Coordination and management capacity of LVBC strengthened
- (ii) Relationship and working mechanisms with EAC organs, institutions and other stakeholders strengthened.

Project rationale and preparatory studies

An institutional capacity assessment revealed institutional, organizational, management, and staff capacity needs that were likely to impact negatively on the overall performance of LVBC in achieving sustainable development for the Lake Basin.

These included

- (i) The Protocol for Sustainable Development has weaknesses with respect to the various provisions and internal consistency for the descriptive roles of the various organs of LVBC in terms of mandate, roles, responsibilities and functions
- (ii) The LVBC Secretariat is experiencing functional and work overlaps and realignments in terms of weak guidelines for inter departmental and functional coordination

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Goal

To build the capacity of LVBC to provide sustainable leadership in the coordination of the stakeholders to attain the shared vision of the LVB

Project Objective

To strengthen the institutional capacity of the LVBC to enable it to carry out its mandate

Duration:

Five (5) years

Implementing Agency

Lake Victoria Basin Commission jointly with National Focal Point Ministries and Ministries of East African Community and non-state actors in the Five Partner States of the EAC

Estimated Project Cost

USD 15 Million

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(iii) There are also limited management systems and guidelines to provide overall corporate direction of LVBC, programme design, management, monitoring and evaluation, capacity building, human resource development, accountability and reporting mechanisms

(iv) LVBC has weak financial sustainability; and Weak partnership framework

Support Documents

i) Institutional Capacity Needs assessment for LVBC

ii) Human Resource Functional Analysis for the LVBC Secretariat

Specific objectives

i) To strengthen the governance and management structure of the LVBC

ii) To develop LVBC secretariat as an information hub for the Basin

iii) To improve stakeholder coordination and Participation

iv) To build the institutional capacity of the LVBC

Expected Results

i) Sustainability of LVBC enhanced through improved governance and management structures

ii) LVBC secretariat functioning effectively as the information hub for the Lake Victoria Basin

iii) Stakeholder, both state and non-state actors, effectively engaged in the sustainable development and management of the Lake Victoria Basin

iv) LVBC has adequate human resource capacity and management systems to efficiently carry out its mandate.

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